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Rev. A. G. Graves, Rev. J. H. Smith, Rev. David Johnson, Rev. Moses Gurst, Rev. K. Dixon.

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Committee on Finance:

R. H. Winstead, G. Smith, R. D. Mason.

PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to adjournment, the Cedar Grove Missionary BaptistAssociation convened in its Forty-ninth Annual Session with the Red Hill Baptist Church, near Pelham, N. C., on the 9th of August, 1916, at 10:30 A. M. Rev. C. J. Springfield, former Moderator, called the Association to order, and acted as Moderator pro tem; G. Smith assisted as Secretary. Revs. A. G. Graves, S. Wade and K. Dixon conducted devotional exercises. Opening selection by Rev. S. Wade, viz: "Amazing Grace," which was sung with much melody by the congregation. Scripture reading, 4th ch. of Paul's Letter to Cor., 1-17, by Rev. A. G. Graves. Rev. K. Dixon offered a soul-stirring invocation. Second hymn, No. 676, "My Soul Be on Thy Guard," lined by Rev. S. Wade, after which the Rev. J. A. Tucker offered prayer. Rev. W. H. Harrison led "Come Holy Spirit," joined by the congregation.

Rev. C. J. Springfield, the Moderator, claimed the attention of the Association for some time demonstrating much zeal and Christian fortitude, then announced that the Association was ready for business. Next was the rules of decorum. The same were read by Rev. G. A. Curry.

Time having arrived for the welcome address, Rev. Jas. Adams, the pastor, came forward and extended a hearty welcome. The address was responded to by Revs. C. W. Crutchfield, J. H. Williams, W. H. Jones, S. Wade and A. G. Graves, Deacons G. Smith, H. Lipscomb, W. H. Harrison.

Next in order was the introductory sermon. Revs. G. W. Johnson and J. H. Love were appointed to conduct the sermon. Being duly at hand, they at once arranged for the sermon. Rev. C. J. Springfield led in singing "Hallelujah, 'Tis Done." Rev. J. H. Love lined No. 52, "Lord, in the Morning Thou Shalt Hear." Scripture reading, 2nd Cor., 12, 1-9. Rev. W. H. Harrison offered prayer. Rev. G. W.

Johnson led, "Come Holy Spirit," etc. Afterwards opened the sermon. The Rev. Johnson was governed by 133 Psalm, viz: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Subjects to the discourse:

1. Faith. 2. Obedience. 3. Love. 4. Christ an example of the whole.

Rev. Johnson remarked well, and held the audience from start to finish. It was one of the many able sermons preached during the Association. At the end of the sermon Rev. J. H. Love offered prayer. Deacons Jas. Thaxton, ... Hester lifted the collection; amount, $3.75. Adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Rev. K. Dixon.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 2:30 P. M., Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. D. Johnson, G. W. Neal and Wm. Abbott. Rev. Abbott read No. 120, viz: "I Am Not Ashamed to Own My Lord." Scripture reading, Luke 21, by Rev. D. Johnson.

After singing the above named selection, prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. Neal. The Moderator, after a few remarks, announced that the Association was ready for business.

Minutes read and adopted. Delegates were enrolled.

Enrollment of Delegates:

Allen's Chapel—John Yellock, Philip Woods.
Beulah—Wm. Wyley, Wm. Richmond.
Burton's Chapel— .....
Blackwell—Walter Turner, Ed. Russell.
Blue Stone—R. T. Mills.
Bold Spring—B. Adams, J. Brown.
Ephesus—Robert King, E. D. Harrelson.
Graves' Chapel—W. H. Philips, Wm. Graves.
Gwynn's Chapel—T. R. Jeffres, E. D. Swann.

Hamer—A. S. Allen, Nelson Moore.
Hyco Zion—S. T. Burton, Ed. Smith.
High Street, Milton—A. Phelps, Joseph Dodson.
High Rock—Preston Stephens, Ruffin Poteat.
Jones Cross Road—By Pastor.
Mount Olive—George Crutchfield.
Mount Hermon—Frank Mills, Wm. Johnson.
Mount Zion—Thomas Smith, Jonah Bolton.
Mount Bethel—By Pastor.
Mill Hill—Zach Villines, Willis Love.
Mayo Grove—E. Luster.
Mineral Spring—James Foster, T. L. Cobb.
Morning Star—By Pastor.
New Hope—William Stanfield, A. Dixon.
New Zion—Will Thaxton, Isaac McCain.
New Mount Zion—J. P. Parks, C. Outlaw.
Olive Hill—J. D. Paylor.
Pleasant Grove—Will Steward, Rufus Johnson.
Prospect Hill—G. W. Allen.
Providence—.....
Red Hill—Albert Poteat, Willie Rice.
River Zion—H. Lipscomb, Major Jeffreys.
Saint James—Daniel Johnson, John Fuller.
Sweet Gum Grove—G. W. Bains, J. C. Bigelow.
Shady Grove—Sidney Garrett, Thos. Williamson.
Smith's Chapel—S. Nonoly, J. M. Hogue.
Sassafras Grove—D. Walker, F. Lea.
Spring Grove—Geo. Daniel.
Sunny Home—D. Harrison.
Warren's Chapel—By Pastor.
Yanceyville—H. Lea.
Young's Chapel—L. Lunsford.
Zion's Level—Jack Walker, Henry Russell.

Next order was calling the ministerial roll. Several names were added to both the ordained and list of licentiates.

Next in order was the doctrinal sermon by Rev. M. L. Burton. On motion the rules were suspended and the doctrinal sermon was ordered for evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Next order was the annual address by Rev. C. J. Springfield, who came forward and read the same. The address received marked attention from the Association. After hearing the address, on motion, it was received and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee on Address, who were ordered to report on the next following day at 3 o'clock P. M. Committee: Rev. A. G. Graves, Rev. M. L. Burton, Rev. W. H. Jones.

Next the election of officers. Rev. C. J. Springfield and Rev. G. A. Curry were nominated for Moderator. Rev. Springfield, having the greatest number of votes, was declared elected.

Rev. J. H. Williams and Rev. W. H. Harrison were nominated for Vice-Moderator. Rev. Harrison having the greatest number of votes, was declared elected.

On motion, Recording Secretary G. Smith, was elected by acclamation.

Rev. G. A. Curry was elected Corresponding Secretary without opposition.

Deacons E. D. Smith, A. Thaxton and Nelson Moore were nominated for Treasurer. E. Smith receiving the highest number of votes, was declared elected.

The Board of Trustees, Ordaining Council, Board of Directors and Banking Committee were re-elected.

The afternoon session adjourned with benediction by Rev. A. G. Graves.

FIRST DAY—Evening Session.

The Association reassembled at 8:30 P. M., Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair.

This being the hour to have the doctrinal sermon by Rev. M. L. Burton, Alternate, Rev. Wm. Abbott, they entered the

stand and Rev. Abbott read hymn No. 155. Rev. M. L. Burton read Scripture Lesson, John 8th, beginning at 25th verse to its close.

Rev. R. A. Baird offered prayer, after singing the above named hymn.

Rev. Springfield introduced the Rev. Burton, the speaker. Rev. Burton came forward and after some remarks, announced his text: John 8, 31, viz: "Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, if ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed." Subject, Perseverance of the Saints.

Outlines: 1st. The Scripture teaches that such only are believers as endure to the end.

2nd. That their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand work which distinguishes them from superficial professors.

3rd. That a special Providence watches over their welfare.

4th. We are kept by the power of God unto salvation.

5th. I John 2, 28, And now little children abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

6th. I John 2, 19, They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us.

7th. But they went out, that they might be made manifest, that they were not all of us.

8th. Phil., He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

9th. The race is not given to the swift nor the battle to the strong, but to him that endure to the end.

10th. If we continue to the end we will receive a crown of life.

The sermon was progressive, far-reaching and furnished spiritual food in abundance to all Christian believers.

Rev. Abbott came forward, sang, "I am passing away," and offered prayer.

Deacon Lipscomb sang, "I heard the voice of Jesus say," which was followed by a collection. Brethren C. A. Hester and Jas. Thaxton attended same. Amount received, $5.35.

Evening session adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. K. Dixon.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

The Association convened at 9:30 A. M., Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair.

Devotional exercises were performed by Revs. R. A. Baird, T. Y. Stanfield and C. P. Williamson.

No. 626 was lined by Rev. Baird, namely: "Oh for a closer walk with God." Scripture Lesson, Jer. 5, 1-16. Next selection, "Come let us join our friends above," led by Rev. Williamson.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Westbrooks.

The Moderator, after making some remarks that were very instructive, announced that the Association was ready for business.

The hour having arrived for preaching, Revs. J. W. Owen, J. H. Love and Wm. Warner were sent to the Arbor at 11 o'clock to preach.

Minutes of afternoon and evening sessions were read, received and adopted.

On motion, all visitors were called and made welcome to seats, viz: Brethren E. J. Mayes, Cary Williamson, Joe Graves, Rev. Turner, Bro. Warner, and Sisters Lucy Thompson, Mary L. Mayes, Gillie Graves. They all spoke, making remarks that were helpful and instructive. Sister Gillie Graves offered a very sincere prayer. Brother Mayes sang: "Will there be any stars in my crown?" with much melody.

The Association then ordered the appointment of committees. On motion, a Committee on Ministerial Improvement was appointed, viz: Rev. A. G. Graves, R. D. Mason, W. H.

Harrison, G. A. Curry, W. H. Jones, R. A. Baird, Wm. Morton, C. J. Springfield, G. W. Johnson, S. Wade, C. W. Crutchfield, T. Y. Stanfield, M. L. Burton. The committee was spoken to by Revs. A. G. Graves and J. A. Tucker.

On motion a Committee on Condolence was appointed, viz: J. A. Tucker, J. E. Westbrooks, W. H. Harrison.

On motion, a Committee on Grievances was appointed, viz: Richard Winstead, Jas. Adams, A. G. Graves, J. H. Williams, Nelson Moore.

Committee on Reception—Squire Walker, T. L. Cobb, Isaac McCain, Will Steward, J. D. Paylor, H. Madden, Wm. Stanfield, J. S. Foster, G. W. Neal, F. Mills.

Committee on Appropriation—J. H. Williams, G. W. Baynes, J. M. Hogue, S. W. White, F. Lea.

Committee on Finance—J. H. Love, E. D. Smith, Rufus Johnson, Major Jeffreys, Geo. Daniels, Andrew Thaxton.

Committee on Temperance—M. L. Burton, J. A. Tucker, S. Wade, G. W. Glass, T. Y. Stanfield, R. T. Mills, G. A. Curry, G. Smith, David Harris, John Yellock, S. L. Bagett, Jack Watkins.

Committee on Time and Place—Wm. Abbott, Preston Stephens, E. Luster, George Crutchfield, Zach Villines, J. H. Bolton, C. G. Graves, B. Adams, Walter Turner, A. W. Hampton.

Committee on Printing—R. A. Baird, E. D. Noble, J. P. Parks, A. A. Dixon, Willis Love.

Committee on Auditing—W. H. Jones, W. H. Harrison, Wm. Warner, H. Lipscomb, Rufus Poteat.

Committee on Obituary—Henry Phelps, David Johnson, R. L. Thompson, K. Dixon, Philip Woods.

Committee on Foreign Missions—W. H. Harrison, R. D. Mason, G. W. Johnson, M. L. Burton, J. W. Owen, W. L. Badgett.

Committee on Home Missions—C. J. Springfield, B. B. Bolton, Thos. Smith, Wm. Rice, F. Love, Sidney Garrett, Wm. Wiley, L. W. Lawson, G. W. Allen.

Committee on Education—R. D. Mason, A. G. Graves, W. H. Harrison, C. C. Richmund, C. W. Crutchfield, C. P. Williamson, Jack Brown.

Committee on Sermon—Will Thaxton, A. Phelps, Legrand Lunsford, Wm. Graves, Henry Lea, S. C. Coleman, S. Nunnally, Wm. Pool.

The Association adjourned for dinner.

Benediction offered by Rev. G. A. Currie.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. Wm. Warner, J. A. Tucker and Oscar Springfield.

The Secretary being on duty, as the Board of Trustees was in session, did not catch Scripture lesson, hymns read and sang during devotional exercises.

The Moderator, after a few words, announced that the Association was ready for business.

Minutes of morning session were read, received and adopted.

The hour for preaching having arrived, Rev. A. G. Graves was sent to the Arbor to preach at 3 o'clock P. M.

For a while Sister Lucy Thompson of Winston-Salem, was allowed to present the Orphanage before the body. She made no little impression on the Association. On motion, a collection was called for Sister Thompson. Amount, $5.50.

Committee on Auditing reported. (See reports.)

Committee on Annual Address reported. (See reports.) This report was spoken to by Revs. W. H. Jones, W. H. Harrison, G. A. Currie, J. H. Love, R. A. Baird, J. P. Parks. On motion, the report was adopted.

Committee on Education reported. This was spoken to by Revs. R. D. Mason, M. L. Burton, W. H. Harrison, Deacon S. White. Finally the educational report was re-

ceived and adopted. Then the next in order was an educational rally as follows:

Rev. G. W. Johnson, $1.00; R. D. Mason, $1.00; C. W. Crutchfield, $1.00; T. Y. Stanfield, $1.00; W. L. Badget, $1.00; S. L. Badget, $1.00; Wm. Morton, $1.00; S. W. White, $1.00; Wm. Abbott, $1.00; Wm. Warner, $1.00; J. A. Tucker, $1.00; C. P. Williamson, $1.00; Geo. Currie, $1.00; R. L. Howard, $1.00; G. W. Glass, $1.00; Robert Weatherford, $1.00; W. H. Harrison, $1.00; J. H. Williams, $1.00; C. J. Springfield, $1.00; J. W. Owen, $1.00; S. Nunally, $1.00; Starling Burton, 50c.; T. L. Cobb, 50c.; T. R. Jeffreys, 50c.; E. D. Russell, 50c.; Rufus Johnson, 50c.; Ed. Swann, 50c.; Henry Currie, 50c.; J. H. Russell, 50c.; G. C. Crutchfield, 50c.; H. Lipscomb, 50c.; Nelson Moore, 50c.; Albert Allen, 50c.; Zach Villines, 50c.; William Thaxton, 25c.; Andrew Thaxton, 50c.; Monroe Harrelson, 50c.; Walter Turner, 50c.; Willie Steward, 50c.; Robert King, 50c.; Ruffin Poteat, 50c.; N. Williamson, 50c.; R. T. Mills, 50c.; J. P. Parks, 50c.; G. W. Allen, 50c.; L. Lunsford, 50c.; Rev. Coleman, 50c.; Willis Love, 50c.; R. A. Baird, 50c.; W. H. Philips, 50c.; G. Smith, 50c.; Daniel Johnson, 50c.; James Graves, 25c.; Wm. Graves, 50c.; Purlie Graves, 25c.; Edward Smith, 50c.; C. J. Mayes, 25c.; Rev. M. L. Burton, 25c.; Manuel Hodge, 50c.

Afternoon session adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. Jas. Adams.

SECOND DAY—Evening Session.

The Association convened at 8:30, Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair.

Rev. J. A. Tucker read No. 153, viz: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way," and led the same.

Rev. J. H. Love read 46th Psalm as Scripture reading.

Then the Rev. J. A. Tucker offered prayer.

Second hymn: "Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove," was led by Rev. J. H. Love.

Time having arrived for the educational sermon by Rev. G. A. Currie, the Moderator arose and introduced Rev. Currie, who came forward and after some remarks selected for his text, 1st Sam. 17, 45: "Then said David to the Philistine, thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield; but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied." Subject: Faith and Force. Goliath succeeded by force; David succeeded by faith in God. The subject was made plain and simple, well arranged, and filled the demands of Association, and closed with a fervent prayer by S. L. Badget.

Rev. W. H. Harrison called the collection.

Evening session adjourned with benediction by Rev. W. H. Harrison.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

The Association convened at 9:30 A. M., Rev. C. J. Springfield in the chair.

Rev. G. W. Glass opened by singing, "The Blood." Second hymn, 195, "Not all the Blood of Beasts," by Rev. Wm. Morton.

Scripture reading, Gal., 6, by Rev. S. L. Badget.

Prayer was offered by Rev. S. C. Coleman.

After singing "Nearer my God to Thee," by Brother Lipscomb, Rev. Springfield called for business.

Minutes of afternoon and evening sessions read and received.

Committee on Time and Place reported. (See reports.)

Committee on Temperance reported. (See reports.)

The report on Temperance was spoken to by Rev. W. H. Harrison, Rev. Adams, W. H. Jones, R. A. Baird, R. D. Mason, Jas. Thaxton.

Committee on Obituary reported. (See reports.)

Committee on Foreign Missions reported. (See reports.)

Committee on Home Missions reported. (See reports.)

The report on Home Missions was spoken to by Rev. Mason, Rev. Adams.

Rev. A. G. Graves came before the Association, and after hearing his statement a committee was appointed to look after same.

Committee on Appropriation reported. (See reports.)

On motion, Sister Fannie Wilson came before the Association and made some remarks concerning her missionary work. On motion, her report was received and adopted.

The hour having arrived for preaching at the Arbor, Rev. J. H. Love and Rev. S. C. Coleman were sent to the Arbor to preach.

Then Sister Lucy Thompson of Winston, was invited to present her work to the Association. She arose, singing, "Go Preach My Gospel," etc., closing with an able address on Home and Foreign Missions. Bro. E. J. Mayes responded.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended to the Red Hill Church, pastor, and friends for their hospitality during the session.

Committee on Reception reported. (See reports.)

Committee on Sermons reported. (See reports.)

Letters were received from Revs. Moses Gurst, J. W. Johnson and Gwynn Wade. After hearing same, they were received.

Committee on Ministerial Improvement reported. (See report.)

Board of Trustees reported. (See reports.)

Next order was the appointing of Fraternal Messengers to other Associations, viz: Banister, R. D. Mason; Sunny Side, Rev. C. J. Springfield; East Cedar Grove, Rev. G. A. Currie; Roan, Rev. T. Y. Stanfield; Middle, Rev. S. Wade; Cherry Stone, Rev. S. L. Badget; High Point, Rev. J. H. Love; Greensboro, Rev. Wm. Morton.

On motion, a committee was appointed to investigate and look after property at Roxboro. Committee: G. Smith, W. H. Harrison, W. H. Jones.

On motion, a Building Committee was appointed, viz: Richard Winstead, G. Smith, J. P. Parks, S. Wade, J. A. Bolton.

Committee on Finance reported. (See reports.)

Rev. S. Wade led "Blest be the tie that binds."

Rev. C. W. Crutchfield offered prayer.

Then the forty-ninth session of the Cedar Grove Association closed to meet with River Zion Baptist Church, near Blanch, N. C., Wednesday before the second Sunday in August, 1917.

Rev. C. J. Springfield,
Moderator.

G. Smith,
Secretary.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Annual Address of the Cedar Grove Association, By Rev. C. J. Springfield.

Dear Sisters and Brethren:

1. I count myself fortunate to greet you once again under such happy circumstances, in this great metropolis of iron and steel, in this splendid edifice, which has been dedicated to God's service and erected through the consecrated sacrifice of God's elect, who worship here under the faithful leadership of our friend and brother, J. S. Adams. In fact, our lines have fallen in pleasant places, in which we should greatly rejoice in our hearts and prompts us to seek fuller light and consecration for the great work yet before us.

2. Truly we are living in perilous times, such as has never been witnessed before. The gods of war seem to be on the throne and the great nations of the earth are rushing with desperate haste to waste life and treasure upon his cruel

altar. Even more, disaster, storm, pestilence, have broken forth in dreadful fury in divers places to make the human peril more awful and distressing. The whole human race is staggering under a dreadful judgment, and seems doomed but for the hope held, and by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, hence the supreme importance of propagating the offers of Christianity.

3. We meet as ambassadors of the kingdom, grace, charged with grave responsibilities, to give to lost and ruined world the only opportunity to secure deliverance from the wrath to come. I sincerely trust that each one is individually conscious of the solemn duties resting upon him as a member of this Association.

4. The God who rules the Universe is surely at work in this world, pouring out his wrath upon the nations who have forgotten Him and His commands, and who have ignored the gospel of peace and good will in their greed after political glory in the evolution of civilization. It is evident that politics and diplomacy upon which the governments of the earth have been falsely founded, have signally failed to secure permanent peace and happiness to mankind, but to the contrary, they have wrought desolation and misery with a prodigal hand and drenched the earth with human blood and despoiled the seas with human carcasses.

The utter futility of human schemes to build up mankind was never more evident than now; the world is war-mad and crazy, rushing to ruin with unbridled fury, and refusing bluntly peace overtures.

5. The relief so essential to permanent peace and civilization will not come until mankind accepts in reality and not theory the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man, and then only can the implements of warfare be beaten into plowshares and pruning hooks.

6. The time is ripe for missionary aggression and for the prophets of the Lord to cry out both day and night for the restoration of Israel. The Gospel alone can save the world.

7. It must be written in the sky in flaming letters, in all languages, that he who runs may read: "Peace on earth and good will to all men." We read daily with breathless interest of the valor and deeds and sacrifices of the men in the trenches, and admire the grim determination and unflinching courage in the very face of death and hell. We read with sorrowful anxiety the quarrels of the so-called neutral nations and shudder at the muttered prediction of a universal war, and wonder what it all means, this fearful, restless and universal upheaval.

8. My fear is abated only when I remember that God still lives. We must not despair; Christianity holds out to beligerent humanity the olive branch of peace, as the signal of hope, and bids us press her claims with perfect assurance of ultimate success.

9. We do not doubt for a moment that God rules the world, and will, with a masterly hand make the wrath of men, or man, praise Him. Doubtless out of smoke and din of battle, when the cup's fury shall have poured itself empty, an era of peace and fellowship will dawn such as the world has never seen before.

10. Let us not be pessimistic and feel that civilization has received a fatal blow. This may be the Divine method of healing the nations and of welding together the same civilization and genuine Christianity. The Divine pronouncement has gone forth that the kingdoms of this world, the king of iron, brass and steel shall be broken down and molded into a great universal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We therefore bid you gird yourselves for this mighty conflict, with this motto emblazoned on every ensign: "The World for Christ."

My dear brethren, here is the last but not the least. The Sunday School Convention, which ranks next to the Association, is so smally attended by ministers. We have 68 ministers in our band and just a few of them come to the Sunday School Convention. I pray that the time may come when

we, as ministers, may get a move on us. God wants men who will live and pay a sacrifice to Him. Now, we had a good Convention, one among the best.

Now may the words that I have uttered to you cause the banner of the Association to float in the breeze, and from the outskirts of sunny Dixie to the foggy shores of New Zealand our work will be known.

May God bless you all. Amen.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Committee on Printing.

We, your Committee on Printing, beg leave to submit the following report: That there be 700 copies of minutes printed, publishing the proceedings of this session.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. R. A. Baird,
E. Noble,
J. P. Parks,
A. A. Dixon,
Willis Love,
Committee.

Committee on Education.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to submit the following report:

Since ignorance is a curse to any people, bringing forth uselessness, idleness and superstition, we realize that a Christian education is a salvation to the great perplexing problem. For us to be able to give this desired and needed training there must be a place for it, and it must be supported. You have the place within your reach, namely, the Cedar Grove Academy at Roxboro, N. C., is your place of instruction and training. Now is the time to give your unstinted support. The institution is crying like the Macedonian, "Come over

and help us." Friends, are you going to heed this cry? God requires your help. Pennies, nickels and dimes will do to start, but to hasten the work we must give dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. G. Graves,
W. H. Harrison,
C. C. Richmond,
C. W. Crutchfield,
C. P. Williamson,
R. D. Mason,

Committee.

Committee on Appropriation.

We, your Committee on Appropriation, beg leave to submit the following report: That we show our benevolence to the brethren as follows:

Recording Secretary	$15.00
Corresponding Secretary	2.50
Moderator	5.00
Vice-Moderator	1.50
Minutes	56.00
Orphanage	5.00
Foreign Missions	5.00
Home Missions	5.00
Incidental expenses	6.75
Total	$101.75

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Williams,
G. W. Baynes,
S. W. White,
F. Lea,

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place beg leave to submit the following report: That River Zion be the place of holding our next session, and Wednesday before the second Sunday in August, 1917, be the time.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. WM. ABBOTT,
J. H. BOLTON,
E. LUSTER,
PRESTON STEPHENS,
ZACH VILINES,
C. J. GRAVES,
GEORGE CRUTCHFIELD,
B. ADAMS,
A. W. HAMPTON,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON RECEPTION.

We, your Committee on Reception, beg leave to submit the following report: After investigating we find not any seeking membership to this grand body.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. G. W. NEAL,
WM. STANFIELD,
SQUIRE WALKER,
ISAAC MCCAIN,
WILL STEWARD,
J. D. PAYLOR,
H. MADEN,
F. MILLS,
JAS. FOSTER,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON AUDITING.

We, your Committee on Auditing, beg leave to submit the following report:

Brought forward from 1914	$15.45
From churches, 1915	114.00
From Home Missions	4.50
From Ministers and Delegates	103.86
From collections	25.92
Total	$263.73

Disbursements.

Recording Secretary	$15.00
Corresponding Secretary	2.50
Moderator	5.00
Vice-Moderator	1.50
Printing Minutes	51.80
Orphanage	5.00
Foreign and State Missions	10.00
Incidental expenses	6.75
Collectors	3.00
To Banking Committee	121.86
Superannuated	19.00
Total	$241.41
Balance	$22.32

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. H. HARRISON,
REV. W. H. JONES,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, we still recognize the voice of our blessed Saviour saying to His disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach

my gospel to every creature." This mission is as much demanded of us today as it was when first spoken. Our work in civilizing and Christianizing will not be ended until all nations have the gospel preached unto them. Let us put ourselves on high record in doing more by helping to send the gospel to foreign lands.

We recommend that each church hold a special service during the year for Foreign Missions, and receive collections for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Harrison,
R. D. Mason,
G. W. Johnson,
M. L. Burton,
W. L. Badget,
J. W. Owen,
Willie Richmond,
Committee.

Committee on Temperance.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, the questions of temperance and intemperance are stirring the people from one side to the other, and since the outside world is engaged zealously in condemning the habit of strong drink, which is forbidden by God's Word; Be it—

Resolved, That this Association put itself on record as being bitterly opposed to the habit of using intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev M. L. Burton,
Rev. J. A. Tucker,
Rev. S. Wade,
Rev. T. Y. Stanfield,
Rev. G. A. Currie,
R. T. Mills,
David Harris,
Henry Russell,

Committee.

Committee on Home Missions.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find our schools, public and private, are much in need of means to make them a success. Also our sick and poor are in great need for food and clothing. The sisters are doing a good work, but the load is too heavy for them to carry alone, and we preachers and deacons must come to their rescue by doing all we can to help them in their work.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. F. Love,
B. B. Bolton,
Thos. Smith,
Wm. Price,
Sidney Garrett,
Wm. Wiley,
L. W. Lawson,
G. W. Allen,

Committee.

Committee on Annual Address.

We, your Committee on Annual Address, beg leave to submit the following report:

That after a careful examination of the address we recommend that it be published in our minutes and that section ten, regarding ministers attending Sunday Schools and Conventions, come up before this Association for discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. G. Graves,
Rev. M. L. Burton,
Rev. W. H. Jones,

Committee.

Committee on Ministerial Improvement.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Improvement, beg leave to submit the following report:

1st. We recommend that each pastor go to his pulpit and righteously instruct his people at large to the highest standard of morality.

2nd. We recommend further that the ministers study the Scriptures, both old and new, so as to obtain the best results.

3rd. We recommend that each minister in his studies allow himself to be guided by the Holy Spirit—the great Teacher.

4th. We recommend that every minister practice the Gospel as Christ commands.

5th. We recommend that the Presbytery ordain no minister who does not come up to the required standard.

6th. Furthermore, we advise that the Presbytery ordain no candidate that is deficient in ability to perform the service required.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. G. Graves,
Rev. S. Wade,
Rev. W. H. Harrison,
Rev. R. A. Baird,
Rev. W. H. Jones,
Rev. R. D. Mason,
Rev. M. L. Burton,
Rev. T. Y. Stanfield,
Rev. Wm. Morton,
Rev. C. W. Crutchfield,
Rev. J. W. Owen,
Committee.

Committee on Finance.

We,your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

The following churches were duly represented by the payment of three dollars each:

Allen's Chapel, Beulah, Blackwell, Blue Stone, Bold Spring, Ephesus, Graves' Chapel, Gwynn Chapel, Hamer, Hyco Zion, High Street, Milton; High Rock, Jones' Cross

Road, Mount Olive, Mount Hermon, Morning Star, Mount Zion, Mount Bethel, Mill Hill, Mayo Grove, Mineral Spring, New Hope, New Zion, New Mount Zion, Olive Hill, Pleasant Grove, Prospect Hill, Red Hill, River Zion, Saint James, Sweet Gum Grove, Shady Grove, Smith's Chapel, Sassafras Grove, Spring Grove, Sunny Home, Warren's Chapel, Yanceyville, Young's Chapel, Zion Level.

Received from churches	$120.00
Received from ministers and delegates for education	41.60
Received from churches for education	40.45
Am't raised after introductory sermon	3.75
At stand by J. A. Tucker	2.50
Am't doctrinal sermon	5.35
At stand after A. G. Graves	4.00
At stand after J. H. Love	5.81
At stand after ————,	5.01
Total	$228.47

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON BANKING.

We, your Committee on Banking, beg leave to submit the following report:

Rec'd and deposited Aug., 1913	$445.14
Rec'd and deposited Dec., 1913	33.51
Rec'd and deposited Aug. 9, 1915	121.82
Rec'd and deposited May, 1916	41.60
Rec'd and deposited Aug. 19, 1916	128.00
Rec'd and deposited Oct., 1916	16.70
Total	$786.77

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. WINSTEAD,
G. SMITH,
R. D. MASON,
Committee.

Report From the Board of Trustees.

We, the Trustees of the Cedar Grove Association, beg leave to submit the following report:

That we recommend to the Association three brethren, viz: G. Smith, Rev. W. H. Harrison and W. H. Jones, as a committee to go to Roxboro, N. C., and employ counsel or lawyers to look after the school property of the Cedar Grove Association, and such information as can be obtained be published, and copies of same be sent to the various churches of this Association.

Secondly, we recommend that a building committee of three be elected by this Association, and if the property is considered to be safe, the committee on building push the work on the building at once.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Trustees.

October 28, 1916.

The Presbytery of the Cedar Grove Association met at Mount Zion Baptist Church on date above mentioned, and called Rev. W. H. Harrison in question of his holding Rev. A. G. Graves' money when it should have been paid to Rev. A. G. Graves. Since Rev. W. H. Harrison failed to do as he promised, we therefore recommend the Ministerial and Deacons meeting to declare all offices vacant now being held by Rev. W. H. Harrison in and for the Cedar Grove Association. By order of the Presbytery; endorsed by the Ministers and Deacons in session, October 28, 1916.

Rev. T. Y. Stanfield,
Rev. S. Wade,
Rev. R. D. Mason,
Rev. K. Dixon,
Rev. C. J. Springfield.

LETTERS FROM HOME MISSION SOCIETIES.

Mayo Grove Church—

Dear Brethren:—We, the Home Mission Sisters, beg leave to submit the following report, that the world may know what we are doing for our blessed Saviour and His missions: Since last year we have raised $12. Gave to the sick $3.00. For burial, $2.00. Meals given, 18. Garments given, 8. Visits made to see the sick, 45. Lost by death, 1. Number of members, 21. We ask your prayers that we may continue to work for Christ and His missions until we reach the courts above, where we all can join one missionary band. We send 50 cents by Bro. E. Luster.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MARY DANCE, *President.*
MARTHA OWEN, *Secretary.*
AITER WADE, *Treasurer.*

Young's Chapel Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We, the Home Mission Sisters, beg leave to submit the following report, that the world may know what we are doing for our blessed Saviour: Organized August 15, 1915. Since we have raised $9.12. Visits to the sick, 30. Meals given, 15. Garments given, 9. Present membership, 9. Gave to the sick, $2.70. We send 50 cents to the Association. We ask your prayers that we may grow stronger in the faith of our Lord and His missions.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JESSIE I. BRAND, *Pres.*
MRS. ANNER WINSTEAD, *Vice-Pres.*
MISS E. F. O'BRIANT, *Treas.*
MISS MAMIE O'BRIANT, *Sec.*

Morning Star Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We beg leave to submit the following report, that the world may know what we are doing for our blessed Saviour and His missions: Organized April 15, 1916. Since then we have raised $10.65. Gave to the sick, $2.05. Visits to see the sick, 5. Present membership, 15. As we are very young in the work we ask your prayers that the Lord may bless us, and give us strength to labor in His missions until He shall call us from labor to reward. We send for education 50 cents, by Rev. Abbott, our pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. Brown, *Pres.*
Annie Martin, *Vice-Pres.*
Mary L. Corbett, *Sec.*
Mamie Word, *Treas.*

Mount Zion Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We beg leave to submit the following report, that others may see and know what we are doing for our Heavenly Father: Raised during the year, $10. Meals given to poor, 100. Garments given, 75. Visits to see the sick, 125. We send to the Association 50 cents by our deacons, J. A. Bolton and Tom Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Tinie Smith, *President.*
Mrs. Ella Jay, *Treasurer.*
Mrs. Ella Wagstaff, *Secretary.*

New Zion Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We beg leave to submit the following report, that others may see what we have done and what we

are striving to do for Christ and His missions: Raised during the year, $75. Gave to the sick and needy, $13.35. Gave to pastor, $15.52. Visits to see the sick, 85. Meals given, 148. Garments given, 47. Number of members, 23. We ask your prayers that we may grow stronger in the faith of our Lord and Saviour and His missions. We send 50 cents by our dear brother, Wm. Thaxton.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. E. Thaxton, *Pres.*
Mrs. Emily Jeffreys, *Treas.*
Mrs. E. J. Mebane, *Sec.*

Smith's Chapel Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We beg leave to submit the following report: Raised during the year, $8.00. Gave to the sick, 75 cents. Meals given, 2. Number of members, 10. We ask your prayers that we may grow stronger in the faith of our Lord and His missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Joana Stamps, *President.*
Katie Stokes, *Treasurer.*
Maria Gwynn, *Secretary.*

Sunny Home Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We, the Sisters, beg leave to submit the following report, that others may see what we are doing for the Lord: We have raised this year $20. Gave to the sick, $6.00. Gave to the church, $3.00. Visits to see the sick, 21. We send to the Association 50 cents by Deacon A. W. Hamp-

ton. Brethren we ask your prayers that we may hold out and prove faithful in the work of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Menie Harris, *Pres.*
Mrs. Rosie Harris, *Treas.*
Mrs. Rebecca Hampton, *Sec.*

Bold Spring Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

We, the Sisters, beg leave to submit the following report: Organized October 10, 1915. We want you to know what we are trying to do for Christ and His missions on earth. We have just started in the work and have 8 members. Raised during the year, $8.00. Gave to our pastor, $5.00. Our object is to help the poor and needy by giving garments and meals. We ask the prayers of the true saints of Christ that we may grow and prosper in His work until we are called from labor to reward. We send 50 cents by our pastor, Rev. Wm. Morton, for to represent us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mary E. Sanders, *Pres.*
Miss Evyline Palmer, *Sec.*
Mrs. Mandie Johnson, *Treas.*

Sweet Gum Grove Church, to the Cedar Grove Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren: We, the Sisters, beg leave to submit the following report, that the world may know what we are doing for the Lord and His missions on earth. Visits to the sick, 130. Meals given, 75. Money given to the needy, $11.76. Furnishing steel picket for cemetery and painting same, $12.28. Money raised during the year, $44.87. We ask

your prayers that we may grow stronger in the work of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We send 50 cents.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CORA B. WILEY, *Pres.*
MRS. MOLLIE RICHMOND, *Sec.*
MRS. REBECCA BAYNES, *Treas.*

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Name.	*Postoffice.*
Rev. W. H. Harrison	Danville, Va.
Rev. S. Wade	Woodsdale, N. C.
Rev. A. L. Johnson, B. D.	Danville, Va.
Rev. C. W. Crutchfield	Semora, N. C., R. D. No. 2.
Rev. C. C. Richmond	Blanche, N. C., R. D. No. 2.
Rev. K. Dixon	Fitch, N. C., R. D. No 2.
Rev. R. D. Mason	Milton, N. C.
Rev. F. Love	Blanche, N. C., R. D. No. 2.
Rev. G. A. Curry	Leasburg, N. C., R. D., No. 2.
Rev. T. Y. Stanfield	Roxboro, N. C.
Rev. C. J. Springfield	Roxboro, N. C.
Rev. H. Wilson	Mt. Carmel, Va.
Rev. J. H. Williams	Leasburg, N. C.
Rev. S. P. Warren	Topnot, N. C.
Rev. R. S. Clark	McIver, N. C.
Rev. G. W. Johnson	Bushy Fork, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Smith	Greensboro, N. C.
Rev. David Johnson	Winston, N. C.
Rev. R. L. Thompson	Leasburg, N. C.
Rev. M. L. Burton	Danville, Va.
Rev. James S. Adams	Danville, Va.
Rev. R. H. Harris	Greensboro, N. C.
Rev. H. Barnett	Woodsdale, N. C.
Rev. E. Chism	Roxboro, N. C.
Rev. R. A. Baird	South Boston, Va.

Name.	*Postoffice.*
Rev. C. P. Williamson	Yanceyville, N. C.
Rev. H. Y. Yancey	South Boston, Va.
Rev. J. W. Owen	Mayo, Va.
Rev. A. G. Graves	Danville, Va.
Rev. W. H. Jones	Roxboro, N. C.
Rev. W. M. Morton	Ruffin, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Love	Blanche, N. C., R. D.
Rev. Oscar Springfield	Blanche, N. C.
Rev. R. B. Johnson	Christie, Va.
Rev. William Brown	Woodsdale, N. C.
Rev. William Warner	Pelham, N. C.
Rev. S. L. Badgett	
Rev. Lewis Lawson	
Rev. C. G. Graves	

LIST OF LICENTIATES.

H. Hodnett, George Stokes, Gatewood, N. C.; W. Yancey, Blackwell, N. C.; Moses Gurst, Bethel Hill, N. C.; E. Noble, Hayfield, N. C.; G. A. Holland, Danville, Va.; M. Williams, Danville, Va.; L. D. Royster, Woodsdale, N. C.; N. Price, Pelham, N. C.; W. Johnson, Yanceyville, N. C.; William Henderson, Yanceyville, N. C.; A. S. Adams, Roxboro, N. C.; W. B. Brown, Pelham, N. C.; A. Royall, Semora, N. C.; DeWitt Woods, Leasburg, N. C.; Haywood Byrd, High-Towers, N. C.; T. P. Wylie; G. W. Neal, ..., Va.; A. D. Graham, W. L. Badgett, Pelham, N. C., R. F. D.; T. M. Simpson, Robert Rodnett, Henry Maden, James Westerbrooks, Henry Evans, William Pool, Vinson Bradsher, Roxboro, N. C., R. F. D.; James Blackwell, Yanceyville, N. C., R. F. D.; D. Price; S. C. Coleman, Roxboro, N. C.; Gwynn Wade.

CHURCHES WITH THEIR SECRETARIES.

Allen's Chapel—Ellis Graves, Leasburg, N. C.
Beulah—Willie Lea, Hightower, N. C.
Burton's Chapel—
Blackwell's—S. P. Gwynn, Yanceyville, N. C.
Blue Stone—H. H. Williams, Ruffin, N. C., R. No. 3.
Bold Spring—Ethel Saunders, Ruffin, N. C., R. 3.
Ephesus—S. L. Badgett, Ruffin, N. C., R. No. 1.
Graves' Chapel—T. F. Phillips, Yanceyville, N. C., R. 1.
Gwynn's Chapel—B. F. Williamson, Pelham, N. C., R. 1.
Hamer—Spencer Jeffreys, Blanche, N. C., R. F. D.
Hyco Zion—John Winstead, Semora, N. C., R. 1.
High Street, Milton—Nancy Garland, Milton, N. C.
High Rock—Emma Stephens, Blanche, N. C., R. F. D.
Jones Cross Roads—Fannie A. Jones, Altamahaw, N. C.
Mount Olive—Emma D. Crutchfield, Semora, N. C.
Mount Hermon—Lucy M. Carter, Ruffin, N. C.
Mount Zion—John S. McCain, Woodsdale, N. C., R. 1.
Mount Bethel—
Mill Hill—Zach Vilines, Roxboro, N. C., R. F. D.
Mayo Grove—Caroline Crowder, Deniston, Va.
Mineral Spring—Mary E. Camron, Pelham, N. C., R. 1.
Morning Star—M. J. Brown, Spray, N. C.
New Hope—A. A. Dixon, Leasburg, N. C.
New Zion—J. T. McCain, Blanche, N. C., R. No. 2.
New Mount Zion—W. H. Jones, Roxboro, N. C.
Olive Hill—John Snipes, Leasburg, N. C.
Pleasant Grove—A. Barnett, Roxboro, N. C.
Prospect Hill—Beulah K. Obie, Woodsdale, N. C.
Providence—
Red Hill—Nannie M. Poteat, Pelham, N. C., R. No. 1.
River Zion—J. Hall, Blanche, N. C.
Saint James—G. Smith, Leasburg, N. C.
Sweet Gum Grove—G. W. Baynes, Union Ridge, R. No. 1.
Shady Grove—Jas. E. Swann, Pelham, N. C.

Smith's Chapel—Whitfield Hogue, Danville, Va., R. 4.
Sassafras Grove—A. Holloway, Pelham, N. C., R. F. D.
Spring Grove—Lillie Anderson, Ruffin, N. C., R. 3.
Sunny Home—A. W. Hampton, Draper, N. C.
Warren's Chapel—W. H. Burwell, Leasburg, N. C.
Yanceyville—James Womack, Yanceyville, N. C.
Young's Chapel—Eva O'Briant, Roxboro, N. C., R. No. 5.
Zion's Level—J. H. Russell, Semora, N. C.

CHURCHES WITH THEIR PASTORS.

Allen's Chapel—J. A. Tucker.
Beulah—G. W. Owen.
Burton's—S. P. Warren.
Blackwell—G. W. Johnson.
Blue Stone—Jas. Adams.
Bold Spring—Wm. Morton.
Ephesus—G. W. Johnson.
Graves' Chapel—C. W. Crutchfield.
Gwynn's Chapel—C. P. Williamson.
Hamer—G. A. Currie.
Hyco Zion—C. J. Springfield.
High Street, Milton—R. D. Mason.
High Rock—G. A. Currie.
Jones' Cross Roads—K. Dixon.
Mount Olive—C. W. Crutchfield.
Mount Hermon—C. P. Williamson.
Mount Zion—R. A. Baird.
Mount Bethel—S. Wade.
Mill Hill—C. J. Springfield.
Mayo Grove—R. D. Mason.
Mineral Springs—C. W. Crutchfield.
Morning Star—Wm. Abbott.
New Hope—G. A. Currie.
New Zion—R. A. Baird.

New Mount Zion—B. J. Ruffin.
Olive Hill—S. P. Warren.
Pleasant Grove—S. L. Parham.
Prospect Hill—H. Wilson.
Providence—J. H. Love.
Red Hill—Jas. Adams.
River Zion—G. W. Johnson.
Saint James—R. D. Mason.
Sweet Gum Grove—S. P. Warren.
Shady Grove—Jas. Adams.
Smith's Chapel—M. L. Burton.
Spring Grove—G. W. Glass.
Sunny Home—Wm. Abbott.
Warren's Chapel—G. A. Currie.
Yanceyville—G. W. Johnson.
Young's Chapel—C. J. Springfield.

LETTER FORM.

The.....Baptist Church.

To the Cedar Grove Baptist Association, to be convened with the Baptist Church of Prospect Hill, Woodsdale, N. C., August, 1912.

Dear Brethren: We send to you Christian greetings.

Brethren ..... will represent us this year, to whom we confide our interest in all business which may come up for your consideration. We have as pastor Rev. .....

The following report shows the condition of our church:

Organized.....; Indebtedness, $.....; Value of church, $.....; Paid pastor during last year, $.....; For benevolent objects, $....; Gained by baptism, ...; By letter, ...; Restored, ...; By experience, ...; Lost by letter, ... By exclusion, ...; By death, ...; Present membership, ...

We send to the Association: For Education, $....; for Home Missions, $.....; for Foreign Missions, $.....; for Orphan Asylum, $..... We have preaching the first Sunday of each month.

We want our Minutes sent to.....

Postoffice .....

Secretary .....

Done by order of the church.

PROGRAMME FOR MINISTERIAL AND DEACONS' MEETING.

1st. Devotional Exercises.

2d. Calling names of Churches and Messengers enrolled.

3d. Calling the Churches and have them pay in their moneys due.

4th. Annual Election of Officers.

5th. Appointment of Committees, viz: Time and Place, on Hours of Meeting and Adjourning, on Introductory Sermon, on Appropriation, on Reception, on Obituary.

Introductory, first after Devotional Exercises. Time, 45 minutes.

PROGRAMME.

Wednesday.

10:30 A. M.—Assemble.

10:30 to 11 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

11 to 11:15 A. M.—Address of Welcome and Response.

11:15 A. M. to 12:15 P. M.—Introductory Sermon.

12:15 to 12:45 P. M.—Opening Address.

12:45 to 1 P. M.—Enrollment of Messengers.

1:00 to 2:30 P. M.—Recess.

2:30 to 3:15 P. M.—Sermon.

3:15 to 3:30 P. M.—Miscellaneous Business.

3:30 to 4:30 P. M.—Election of Officers.

4:30 P. M.—Adjournment.

THURSDAY.

9:30 to 10 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
10 to 10:30 A. M.—Reception and Approving Minutes.
10:30 to 11:15 A. M.—Appointment of Committees.
11:15 to 11:45 A. M.—Reports.
11:45 to 12 M.—Report of Trustees.
12 to 1 P. M.—Miscellaneous Business.
1 to 2:30 P. M.—Recess.
2:30 to 3:00 P. M.—Devotional Exercises.
3 to 3:30 P. M.—Address.
3:30 to 3:40 P. M.—Collection.
3:40 to 4 P. M.—Report of Committee on Temperance.
4 to 5 P. M.—Work of Committee.
5 P. M.—Adjournment.

FRIDAY.

9:30 to 10 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
10 to 10:30 A. M.—Reading and Approving Minutes.
10:30 A. M. to 12 M.—Reports of Committees.
12 M. to 1 P. M.—Appointment of Fraternal Messengers, and other business that may come before the Association.
1 to 2:30 P. M.—Recess.
2:30 P. M.—Reassemble.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be called the Cedar Grove Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be to promote the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ, wherever God in His providence shall permit us to labor.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of regular Baptist churches, in the following manner: Each church connected with the Association shall be entitled to send two delegates (together with any licensed minister who holds his

membership or pastoral charges within our bounds), who shall produce letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, the number baptized the preceding year, restored, deceased, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, the whole number in full fellowship, and the days on which they hold their church meeting. The letters shall also contain a general statement of the condition of the church.

Art. 4. The officers of this Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Corresponding Secretary, who shall hold their offices until another election.

Art. 5. The Moderator shall preside in all meetings of the Association, state and put all questions, and announce the vote of the body. The Clerk shall record the proceedings of the Association, prepare and superintend the printing of the Minutes, distribute them, and enter them in a book to be kept for that purpose. The Treasurer shall receive and hold all moneys belonging to the Association subject to the order of the Association, and shall make at each annual meeting a report of the Association.

Art. 6. This Association shall have no power to interfere with the internal affairs of the churches, but it shall be its business to advise and aid the affairs of the church in the accomplishment of the object specified in the second article of this Constitution.

Art. 7. Any regular Baptist church, by sending delegates to the annual meeting of the body, may be admitted into this union, provided that no church shall be received except by the unanimous vote of the delegates present.

Art. 8. This Association shall correspond by delegates with kindred institutions whenever convenient, but no delegate from any other Association shall be allowed to vote in this.

Art. 9. Any church in good order, wishing to withdraw from this Association, shall, upon making a written request to that effect, be entitled to dismission.

Art. 10. It will be expected of the churches composing this Association to remit the funds intended by them for the pro-

motion of the object specified in second article to the Association, and such funds shall be faithfully applied according to the direction accompanying them. Nothing in this article or in this Constitution shall be construed as to compel the churches to contribute to any object.

Art. 11. Alterations or amendments to this Constitution, provided they do not affect the second, sixth and tenth articles, may be made by a proposition to any annual meeting, subject to approbation of two-thirds of the members present at the next annual meeting.

Art. 12. Be it enacted by the Cedar Grove Association that the Constitution governing this Association shall be amended so as to read: "One holding an office of this Association shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of this Association until his successor is elected and qualified."

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That in the morning of each session of this Association some time be spent in devotional exercises.

2. That this Association shall maintain a spirit of forbearance and Christian kindness toward all brethren in the Lord.

3. That no brother can be ordained without he has some education and a gift for the work of the gospel of Christ in faith fully given to God's work what is due it.

4. That the churches in this Association be requested to refrain as much as possible from the transaction of the church business on the Lord's Day, and endeavor to meet regularly on Saturday before their regular appointed Lord's Day for that purpose.

5. That sisters of our church be recommended to form themselves into societies to raise funds by voluntary contributions and monthly fees to aid all pastors and other ministers and to build houses of worship.

6. That no church shall be organized or recognized as in

good order that pays less than twenty dollars annually to the support of the gospel.

7. That we hereby condemn the act of a Baptist church receiving into her membership from a sister Baptist church any person without a proper letter of dismission.

8. That we disapprove of the act of a Baptist church receiving into her membership any person expelled from a sister Baptist church.

9. That we disapprove of organizing a company or a part of a company into a church without letters of dismission from the church to which they belong.

10. That while we recognize the independence of a Baptist church, we cannot believe said church is at liberty to enact a law of usage contrary to the denomination to which they belong or are identified.

11. That we believe it to our interest as Baptist churches to cling to and practice the New Testament standard.

12. That we recommend to our brethren of the Association the obtaining of a thorough knowledge of Baptist church government.

13. That any minister preaching false doctrine shall be ordered by any deacon or minister hearing the same to go before ministerial council for instruction and admonitions. If he persists he shall be non-recognized by this Association as a minister of the gospel.

14. That it is to the best interest of the churches of this Association to call ministers belonging to this Association for pastors.

15. That any church stubbornly and wilfully refusing to take the advice of the Association shall be dropped from our Minutes and no longer considered a member of this Association.

16. That no minister should be ordained unless usefulness actually demands it.

17. That the churches in our bounds which have young men licensed to preach will endeavor to raise an educational

fund to support such young men in Cedar Grove Academy, that they may be able to obtain an education.

18. That no minister dealing in ardent spirits or malt liquors, or having an interest in any firm, saloon, grocery or jug tavern or trafficking in alcoholic drinks shall be recognized by this Association.

19. That no church should retain any minister as their pastor who habitually indulges in the use of ardent spirits as a beverage.

20. That no church should retain a deacon or any other member that traffics in ardent spirits or that patronizes the habitual use or sale of intoxicating drinks.

21. That no church tolerate drunkenness in any of its members, but that every offense should be properly dealt with.

22. That this Association commit the entire Sabbath school work to the Sabbath School Union.

23. That each church pay $3.00 associational dues instead of $2.50, and that the additional 50 cents be used for the support of superannuated ministers and for no other purpose.

24. Hereafter no candidate shall be ordained to the ministry without our bounds unless he is competent of mastering the English language correctly and also have a competent knowledge of mathematics.

25. That the ordaining board of the Mount Zion District and of Olive Grove District constitute a committee to examine all ministers whom they think to be unqualified to preach the gospel according to Baptist usages.

26. That we recommend that the herein session adopt the Baptist Hiscock's Directory as the standard, and the only standard by which the ministers shall be guided.

27. That after the adoption of the above report any minister failing to instruct his church in the same shall be nonrecognized by the ministers of this Association. We also recommend that all complaints against any minister be referred to the ordaining board.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Moderator shall take the chair every day during the session at the hour appointed at the adjournment, and call the members to order, and on the appearance of a quorum, cause the Minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2. He shall preserve order, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Association by any member.

3. He shall rise to put a question, but may state in sitting. He shall have a right to call any member to perform the duties of the chair temporarily.

4. The Moderator shall not vote on any question unless the Association be equally divided.

5. He shall not speak in debate while occupying the chair, but he may call the Vice-Moderator to the chair, and may have the privilege of speaking in common with any other member.

6. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Association, he shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.

7. When two or more persons shall arise at the same time, the Moderator shall name the person to speak.

8. No man shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave from the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself finally from the Association without leave from the Association.

10. Decency of speech must be observed and personal reflection must be avoided.

11. While the Moderator is putting the question no person shall speak, stand up or walk across the house, nor when the member is speaking, engage in private conversation, stand up or pass between him and the Moderator.

12. When question is under debate, no motion shall be received except to adjourn, lay on the table, postpone or amend.

13. All committees shall consist of three, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

14. A select committee shall be appointed on the first day to select ministers to preach each day of the Association and give notice to the preachers, whose duties it shall be to conform to the arrangements.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be put by the Moderator unless withdrawn by the mover.

16. No standing rules shall be altered or suspended unless by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

17. Rules of decorum shall be read the first day of each session of the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE CEDAR GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES WITH STATISTICS	Organized.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Experience.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Lost by Letter.	Lost by Exclusion.	Lost by Death.	Present Membership.	Church Days.	Paid to Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sick and Needy.	Incidentals.	Indebtedness.	Value of Churches.
Allen's Chapel	----	17	1	--	--	--	1	--	126	1	$ 100.00	$-----	$---	$-----	$-----	$-----	$-----	$ 1,700
Beulah	----	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	158	2	100.00	------	----	------	------	------	-------	1,800
Burton's Chapel	----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	--	------	------	----	------	------	------	-------	------
Blackwell	----	17	--	--	1	--	4	2	121	--	90.00	------	----	------	------	2.00	-------	2,000
Blue Stone	1868	13	2	--	9	--	8	1	194	2	168.36	.25	.25	.50	------	5.88	-------	1,500
Bold Spring	1901	14	2	1	--	--	6	--	28	1	46.40	------	----	------	------	------	-------	300
Ephesus	1894	9	--	--	--	--	4	--	81	3	110.00	------	----	2.00	------	3.00	-------	1,800
Graves' Chapel	1874	4	1	--	2	--	2	3	109	4	77.85	------	----	------	3.90	------	-------	800
Gwynn's Chapel	1907	--	--	--	--	--	2	4	79	2	93.68	------	----	------	7.70	------	-------	600
Hamer	1870	7	--	--	2	1	3	1	105	3	114.90	------	----	4.00	------	25.00	-------	1,200
Hyco Zion	1881	13	9	1	2	--	2	4	182	1	121.11	------	----	------	------	------	-------	1,500
High Street, Milton	1865	4	--	2	2	--	--	2	118	4	105.00	------	----	4.00	------	55.00	4.00	1,000
High Rock	1865	10	10	--	5	--	6	2	168	4	120.00	------	----	2.00	------	------	-------	1,800
Jones' Cross Roads	1912	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	12	--	25.00	------	----	------	------	------	27.00	400
Mount Olive	1903	13	3	2	1	--	--	2	65	1	41.00	------	----	1.00	------	------	50.00	1,200
Mount Hermon	1888	17	2	--	1	--	--	4	176	--	157.00	------	----	.50	8.40	------	-------	1,500

Mount Zion	1868	11	--	1	2	--	3	3	250	2	150.00	------	----	------	------	15.00	-------	2,540
Mount Bethel	----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	20	--	------	------	----	------	------	------	-------	------
Mill Hill	1877	25	1	1	5	4	6	4	289	4	175.00	------	----	------	------	49.72	-------	2,000
Mayo Grove	1867	5	--	--	4	--	1	5	228	1	110.00	------	----	------	23.00	------	-------	1,050
Mineral Springs	----	5	--	--	7	--	2	2	141	2	49.01	------	----	------	3.20	10.38	-------	1,500
Morning Star	1912	6	2	--	--	--	3	--	20	3	70.00	------	----	5.00	------	.50	250.00	800
New Hope	1886	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	52	1	------	------	----	------	------	------	20.00	600
New Zion	1881	4	--	1	--	--	3	--	122	1	94.44	------	----	1.50	------	8.16	-------	2,000
New Mount Zion	1899	4	--	5	--	--	2	--	85	3	150.00	------	----	2.00	250.00	------	56.53	1,500
Olive Hill	----	10	--	3	1	--	--	1	41	2	------	------	----	------	------	------	-------	500
Pleasant Grove	----	2	--	2	--	--	5	--	200	1	321.17	------	----	------	------	5.52	-------	3,000
Prospect Hill	1877	19	1	3	3	1	3	3	280	3	105.00	------	----	6.20	------	16.54	-------	1,400
Providence	----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	--	------	------	----	------	------	------	-------	------
Red Hill	----	30	--	1	--	--	--	3	140	4	140.00	------	----	------	------	------	-------	2,000
River Zion	----	5	5	2	2	--	2	--	121	2	137.80	------	----	7.50	14.00	------	-------	1,500
Saint James	1868	9	--	2	1	--	--	2	303	3	125.00	------	----	------	------	------	-------	1,600
Sweet Gum Grove	1870	14	--	--	2	1	4	2	158	4	85.00	------	----	------	------	15.00	-------	1,200
Shady Grove	1866	12	--	--	5	4	19	--	172	3	79.69	79.00	----	2.30	15.80	------	-------	1,200
Smith's Chapel	----	2	--	--	2	--	4	2	49	--	81.00	------	----	------	------	5.00	10.00	800
Sassafras Grove	1875	13	--	--	3	--	5	3	155	1	------	------	----	25.00	------	------	40.00	3,000
Spring Grove	1893	1	--	1	1	--	--	--	13	1	10.00	.25	----	.25	------	.50	-------	150
Sunny Home	1911	--	1	1	--	--	1	--	45	1	84.00	------	----	------	8.15	.50	152.00	800
Warren's Chapel	1909	6	1	--	2	--	2	1	38	2	38.00	------	----	------	------	8.00	24.00	400
Yanceyville	1884	--	1	--	--	2	1	--	70	4	67.95	------	----	------	------	------	-------	850
Young's Chapel	1887	8	--	--	1	--	3	1	65	2	63.00	------	----	------	------	------	-------	900
Zion's Level	1908	7	--	3	4	--	--	1	74	--	66.95	------	----	10.00	------	------	-------	800